

patient. Acute and late toxicity were analyzed, according to CTCAE toxicity scale (v. 4.0).

Results: The median follow-up was 14.5 months. Most of patients received 30 Gy, in 3 fractions, on alternative days: all the patients completed the prescribed SBRT treatment. Fifteen patients (71%) received androgen deprivation therapy concomitant to SBRT. SBRT was well tolerated: only 1 patient experienced G2 acute rectal toxicity but we didn't observe any severe acute or late toxicity (\geq G3). Despite the short follow up, local control was 100%, distant control was 79% (6/21). All these recurrences were nodal and all out of SBRT field: in 2 of these 6 patients a new SBRT course was delivered (30 Gy in 3 fractions) while in the other hormonal therapy was proposed. At the moment of analysis, all patients were alive.

Conclusion: Our experience shows that SBRT for isolated nodal relapse from prostate cancer is a safe treatment, offering a low toxicity profile and an excellent tumor local control. More data and a longer follow up are needed.

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Role of choline PET/CT in Cyberknife treatment planning for recurrent prostate cancer following EBRT

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Purpose or Objective: Most studies demonstrate that local salvage therapy after EBRT may provide long-term local control in appropriately selected pts, although toxicity is often significant. In these pts, PET/CT with [11C]choline may accurately detect the presence of recurrence. We investigated the role of [11C]choline PET/CT for target volume selection and delineation in pts with recurrent prostate cancer following EBRT for a salvage tailored Cyberknife Stereotactic Hypofractionated Radiotherapy (SBRT) treatment.

Material and Methods: From December 2012 to April 2015, 22 pts with initial disease category defined as low(2), intermediate(6) high (14), in accordance with NCCN 2008 guidelines, median age of 74 years (range 62-89) and an history of locally-recurrent prostate cancer following EBRT were referred to our Department for salvage Cyberknife SBRT. The diagnosis of a clinically evident recurrence of prostate cancer was based on biochemical progression and imaging studies. Median iPSA was 22,7 ng/ml (4,9-88 ng/ml), EBRT doses ranged from 74 to 79.2 Gy (median 76Gy) and the median interval time between relapse diagnosis and salvage Cyberknife treatment was 60 months (range 19-139). The median pre-reirradiation PSA was 4,64 ng/ml (range 2,23-13,04 ng/ml). CT scan and MRI with T1-T2 sequences were performed and [11C]choline PET/CT images were fused for prostate target volume delineation. 5 pts received 3 fractions of 10 Gy (total dose 30 Gy), 17 pts received 3 fractions of 12 Gy (total dose 36 Gy) delivered to the PET positive prostate node (median volume of 14,3 cc-range 5,75-65,04) in the respect of organ at risk constraints.

Results: The treatment was well tolerated with no RTOG grade 3 acute or late toxicity. With a median follow up of 17 months (range 6-35) we observed the following results: no in field recurrence, with a local control of 100%. In 4 pts, respectively at 11, 14, 16 and 22 months after treatment (median time 15 Months), a [11C]choline PET/CT detect a local recurrence with the evidence of a new positive prostate node outside the irradiated field requiring a second Cyberknife salvage treatment.

Conclusion: Advances in modern imaging show promises in the management of prostate cancer at the different stage (diagnosis, treatment planning and follow up). According to available literature [11C]choline PET/CT is not clinically recommendable to plan target volume, nevertheless, our promising data suggest a potential role of [11C]choline

PET/CT as an image guide tool for the focal irradiation of prostate cancer relapse.

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Dosimetric predictors for rectal toxicity with two hypofractionated schedules for prostate cancer

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Purpose or Objective: To analyze the dosimetric impact on long term gastro-intestinal (GI) toxicity of two sequential dose escalation regimens of twice weekly 4 Gy/fractions hypofractionated intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT) delivered within a protracted overall treatment time of 6.5 and 7 weeks, respectively.

Material and Methods: Clinical and dosimetric data on 96 prostate cancer patients with cT1c-T3a disease and nodal involvement risk \leq 20% (Roach index) treated twice-weekly to the prostate +/- seminal vesicles with two sequential dose-escalated IMRT schedules of 56 Gy (14 x 4 Gy, n=28) from 2003 to 2007 and 60 Gy (15 x 4 Gy, n=68) from 2006 to 2010 were analyzed. The corresponding NTD2Gy for an α/β ratio of 1.5 and 3 Gy were 88 and 78 Gy for the 56 Gy group, and 94 and 84 Gy for the 60 Gy group, respectively. The planning target volume (PTV) consisted of an anisotropic expansion of 10 mm around the prostate, except 6-mm posteriorly. Patient repositioning was made with bone-matching on portal images or body markers registration. GI toxicities were scored using the CTCAE v3.0 grading scale.

Results: Among the 96 analyzed patients, the 5-year grade \geq 2 late GI toxicity-free survival was similar in patients treated with 56 Gy compared to those treated with 60 Gy (92.6 \pm 5.1% vs. 85.0 \pm 5.1%, p=0.533). Mean volumes of rectum receiving more than 50 Gy (V50Gy, equivalent to V70Gy NTD2Gy, α/β =3 Gy) and 54 Gy (V54Gy, equivalent to V75Gy NTD2Gy) were 15.8% vs. 20.9% (p=0.001) and 4.2% vs. 13.8% (p=0.0001) for the 56 and 60 Gy groups, respectively. A V50Gy 19% (median 19.2%, range 4.4%-37.8%) was achieved in 67.9% and 38.2% of the patients treated with 56 and 60 Gy, respectively. A V50Gy >19% correlated with a 5-year grade \geq 2 late-GI toxicity-free survival of 80.8 \pm 6.3%, significantly worse than patients with a V50Gy \leq 19Gy (95.3 \pm 3.2%, p=0.031).

Conclusion: Independently from the dose prescription, a V50Gy \leq 19% may result in a better long term rectal toxicity profile in patients treated with a hypofractionated IMRT schedule of 56 or 60 Gy in 4 Gy fractions. As for normofractionated schedules the QUANTEC dose constraint V70Gy<20% for the rectum seems to be a strong predictive factor of late GI toxicity for hypofractionated regimens as well.

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Hypofractionated prostate EBRT with simultaneously integrated boost: mono-institutional report

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Purpose or Objective: To report early outcome of hypofractionated radiotherapy for prostate cancer patients using a simultaneous integrated boost strategy (SIB) focusing on acute genitourinary (GU) and acute and late gastrointestinal toxicity (GI).

Material and Methods: Between 01/2012 and 06/2014 ninety-seven low (n=13) -, intermediate (n=22) - and high-risk (n=45)- prostate cancer patients were treated with hypofractionated radiotherapy using VMAT/IMRT and SIB. It